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In the application of:

Kouji MATSUSHIMA *et al.*

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For: THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR ACUTE LUNG INJURY RESULTING FROM INDIRECT CAUSES COMPRISING ANTI-IL-8 ANTIBODY AS ACTIVE INGREDIENT

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2000. This extension will extend the time the response is due from June 29, 2000 to September 29, 2000.

A three-month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$870.00; and

A check in the amount of \$870.00 is attached.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under

37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to  
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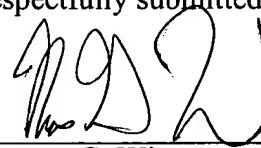
**Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 350292000500. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

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